IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Drohmann Docket No.: 53383

Application No.: 10/509,641 Examiner: POPOVICS, ROBERT J

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Customer No.: 26474 Confirmation No.: 4300

For: Use of polymers comprising thermoplastic polymers as filtration aids and/or

stabilising agent

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

Sir:

In reply to the Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment dated April 30, 2008, it is respectfully requested that the following remarks be entered and considered (in addition to the reply of January 14, 2008) for further prosecution of the above-identified application.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including Extension of Time fees, to Deposit Account 14.1437. Please credit any excess fees to such account

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